MICHIGAN COMMISSION OF AGRICULTURE AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT

Baker College of Cass City 6667 Main Street Cass City, Michigan

MAY 18, 2016 TENTATIVE AGENDA

9:00 a.m.	1.	Call to Order and Roll Call
	2.	Approval of Agenda (action item)
	3.	Approval of Minutes from the March 30, 2016, Commission of Agriculture and Rural Development Meeting (action item)
	4.	Next Scheduled Meeting (information only) • Tues., July 26, location TBD
9:05 a.m.	5.	Commissioner Comments and Travel (action item)
9:15 a.m.	6.	Director's Report
9:25 a.m.	7.	Public Comment on Agenda Items In accordance with the Public Appearance Guidelines in the Commission Policy Manual, individuals wishing to address the Commission will be allowed up to three minutes for their presentation. Documents distributed at the meeting will be considered public documents and are subject to provisions of the Freedom of Information Act. The public comment time provides the public an opportunity to speak; the Commission will not necessarily respond to the public comment.
9:35 a.m.	8.	Terrestrial Invasive Species Management Plan: Sue Tangora, Section Manager, Forest Health and Cooperative Programs, Michigan Department of Natural Resources Forest Resources Division; Dwayne Etter, Research Biologist, Michigan Department of Natural Resources Wildlife Division; and John Bedford, Pest Response Program Specialist, Michigan Department of Agriculture and Rural Development Pesticide and Plant Pest Management Division (information only)
9:55 a.m.	9.	Dairy Farmers of America Cass City Plant Update: Chuck Courtade, NW Region Manager, Dairy Farmers of America (information only)
10:15 a.m.	10.	Dairy Industry Update: Ken Nobis, President, Michigan Milk Producers Association (information only)
10:35		Break

12:35 p.m.

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Adjourn (action item)

10:45 a.m.	11.	Food and Dairy Division Overview: Kevin Besey, Division Director, Food and Dairy Division (information only)
11:15 a.m.	12.	Biofuels Infrastructure Grant : Jim Zook, Executive Director, Michigan Corn Growers Association and Corn Marketing Program of Michigan (information only)
11:35 a.m.	13.	POET Biorefining Caro Plant Update : Emily Boynton, Quality Manager, POET Biorefining (information only)
11:55 a.m.	14.	Wind Energy Update : Stanley "Skip" Pruss, Principal, 5 Lakes Energy (information only)
12:15 p.m.	15.	Commissioner Issues
12:25 p.m.	16.	Public Comment In accordance with the Public Appearance Guidelines in the Commission Policy Manual, individuals wishing to address the Commission will be allowed up to three minutes for their presentation. Documents distributed at the meeting will be considered public documents and are subject to provisions of the Freedom of Information Act. The public comment time provides the public an opportunity to speak; the Commission will not necessarily respond to the public comment.